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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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Re: Application of SQF, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Facilities-Based Local Exchange Service and for Flexible Regulation of Its Local Exchange Services
Docket No. 2017-308-C
Motion for Protective Treatment

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") filed a letter yesterday stating that "...the materials for which confidential treatment has been sought by SQF, LLC ("the Company") in this matter..." have been examined. ORS would like to clarify. The contents of Exhibit B, filed under seal with the Commission, have not been provided to nor reviewed by ORS. ORS has received and reviewed the Motion for Protective Treatment in this matter but has not received, therefore, has not reviewed the contents of Exhibit B for which the Company seeks protective treatment.

As such, it is impossible for ORS to determine, in its opinion, whether the material contained in Exhibit B would qualify as "trade secrets" entitled to protective treatment from public disclosure.

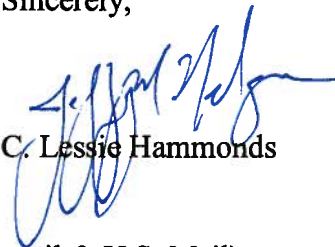
Furthermore, absent a showing by the Company that the materials for which protective treatment is sought is of a commercially sensitive nature, ORS is of the opinion that the public's right to know outweighs any confidential considerations regarding these materials and information.

ORS therefore requests that the Commission either deny the Motion for Confidential

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Treatment, or alternatively, hold this matter in abeyance pending the Company's submission of additional evidence and argument in support of its Motion.

Sincerely,


for C. Lessie Hammonds

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